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STAFF MEETING MINUTES - 17 February 1959 - OTHER PROJECTS

Personnel Present: Mr Bissell

Col Smith

Mr Reber

Mr Cunningham

CORONA

1. It is planned that Col. Smith will approach ARDC at Andrews to determine whether the Air and Sea Recovery Program has the capability and degree of success we would need for our program.

ACTION: Col. Smith

2. It was revealed that General Cabell plans to be at VAFB, 25 February for the first DISCOVERER launch. [redacted] will prepare a short paper for the DDCI outlining (a) the cover for CORONA as an R & D activity, (b) that it should be disassociated from the SENTRY program and any reconnaissance activities, (c) we do not anticipate leaks as such but rather the ability of sharp newsmen to put two and two together (and perhaps come up at a later date with the information in a delayed fuse effect), and (d) no way to avoid speculation if the DDCI is there.

ACTION: [redacted]

Deputy Chief of Administration  
DPD-DD/P

APPROVED:

WILLIAM BURKE

Colonel, USAF  
Acting Chief, DPD-DD/P

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